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AIR MAIL

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Dear Bob:

As I told you (or will tell you), Bruce and I will be coming down Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. I expect to have our usual session at the Carlton on Wednesday but previous to that I would like to have several sessions on Operation Diogenes and see if our thinking can be pulled together on the transistor development.

We have called a halt in our operations here to Diogenes and I will bring down for your examination a model for discussion. This is not so perfect as I would like to see it but I think it is the summation of some 500 man hours of work, a considerable number of which were spent in testing various and sundry solutions other than the present one, both in the laboratory and in the field. There will be a number of questions which need answers both from a financial point of view and from a production point of view. It is my feeling that a general procedure should be outlined so that we all understand the direction to which we are headed and the time versus dollar scale. I think this discussion should be held early Monday so that if answers have to be gotten I will have time to think about them, collect information if necessary, so that we can have our get together with any of the contract people before I leave.

I have asked the Polaroid people to hold themselves in readiness to proceed but have warned them that it may be the middle of next week before I can give them a definite purchase order. They have expressed their willingness.

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I am enclosing our work sheet on hours spent by which personnel and the petty cash items. This is in accordance with my previous letter to you stating how this work would be handled. I would like to discuss the whole business with you and [Redacted] so that we can determine our procedure from here on in and I thought it might be worthwhile your having this before I come down.

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In the meantime, I hope you can resolve how you wish any extension of this project to be handled so that I can get answers and give them to you quickly.

Kindest regards.

Very truly yours.

[Redacted Signature]

President

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Enclosures

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